



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	Mentone, TX	Accident Number:	CEN21FA410
Date & Time:	September 10, 2021, 09:30 Local	Registration:	N292DD
Aircraft:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER R22 BETA	Injuries:	1 Fatal
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Aerial observation		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER	Registration:	N292DD
Model/Series:	R22 BETA	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	Concho Aviation LLC	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Operator Designator Code:

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KINK,2807 ft msl	Observation Time:	08:53 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	16 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	21°C /11°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	9 knots / None, 160°
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.14 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	NONE
Departure Point:	Sterling City, TX (PVT)	Destination:	Sterling City, TX (PVT)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Fatal	Latitude, Longitude:	31.855628,-103.49411

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Sorensen, Timothy

Additional Participating Persons: Robert Smith; FAA; Lubbock, TX

Investigation Class: [Class 3](#)

Note: